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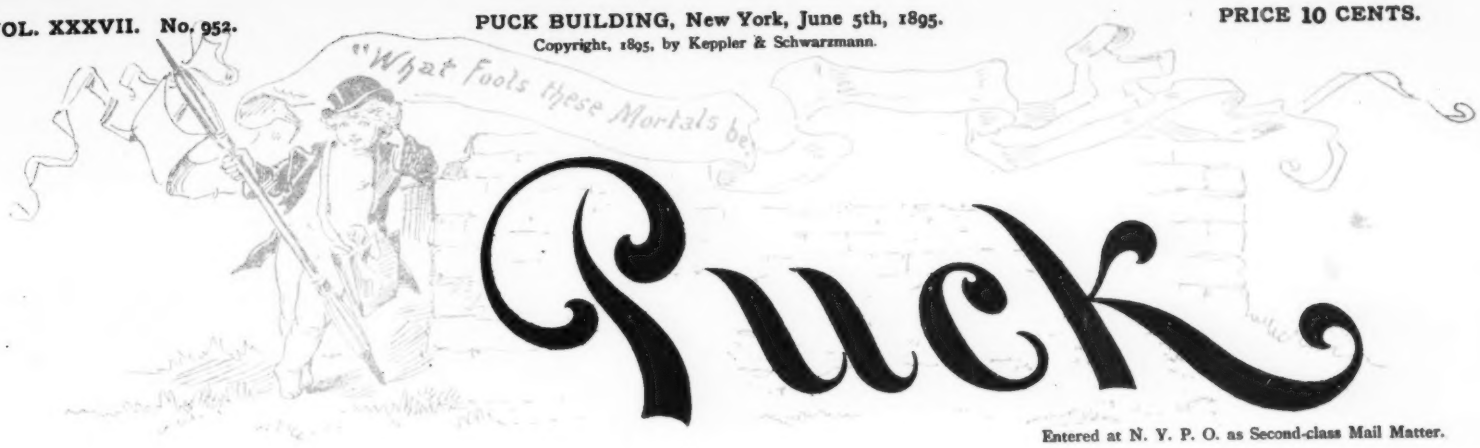

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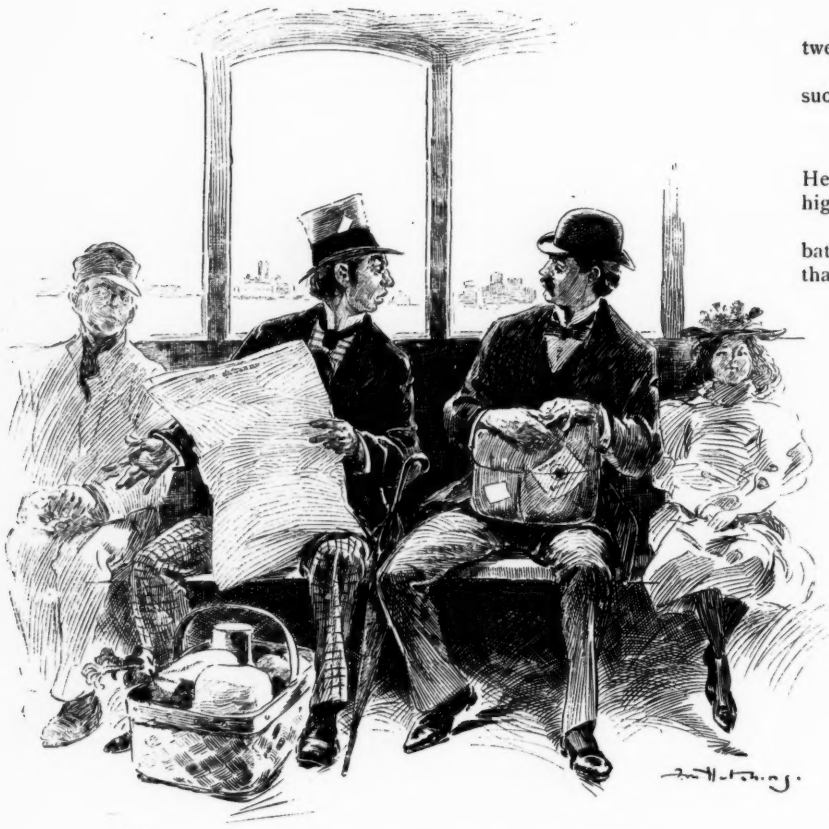
A PUZZLED KAISER.

MEDIÆVAL WILHELM.—'T is passing strange! — here are all the attributes of me kingly power; — me crown, me sceptre, and me royal robe — but the people won't revere them as of yore. By my halidome! — is Divine Right played out?



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THE ONLY RECORD.

HUDSON.— Did you say your house is fifteen minutes' walk from the station?

JUDSON.— Never timed it except in the morning. It is nine-and-a-half minutes' run.

HARD LINES.

"Eh-yah!" said the man with the dyed moustache and pigeon-egg diamond. "I 'm out of the dime-museum business for good and all. Luck turned dead against me all of a sudden and I got it where the bottle got the cork. The first dash out of the box, the living skeleton married his mother-in-law and at once began to lay on fat like a prize pig. Then one-half of the two-headed girl eloped with the ossified man, and the other half quarreled continually with the substitute I hired. About that time the bearded lady died and left five little bearded children for me to look after. The forty-day faster grew careless and got caught several times eating his lunch in public, and that queered him. And, last of all, the glass-eater died from the effects of eating some of the candy that his little son got off the Sunday School Christmas tree. That was the last feather that broke the camel's back, as the poet puts it, and I quit the business, dead-broke and completely discouraged. When luck once turns against an honest man, it never stops till it does him up. He may just as well fling his hand into the discard and quit the game, first as last!"

ON THE TRAIL.

CHIEF OF POLICE.— The murder was committed on Sixth Avenue, twenty-four hours ago; now, what have you found out?

CENTRAL OFFICE SLEUTH *(toying with the directory)*.— There is such a street.

A SNARE AND PITFALL.

FIRST REAL ESTATE MAN.— Hawker 's a great man! By George! He 's got those old rattletrap, dark and gloomy Birdseye Flats full, at higher rents than ever. How does he do it?

SECOND REAL ESTATE MAN.— He put tiled bath-rooms in them. The woman never lived that could resist *that!*

STRICTLY IN IT.

THERE WAS a young chap who swore he
The champion at golfing would be;
And he 's played at the links
Till he really now thinks
He 's got it all down to a tee.

He strives with whole heart and soul,
But the ball he can not control;
And he has n't yet paid
For the golf suit he had made
And he 's got himself in the hole.

R. L. M.

DIPLOMACY CONSISTS, first, in presenting your ultimatum, and then seeing how much of it you can get.

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OUT OF HER REACH.

FOREIGN COUNT.— I am reputed to be worth a million.

AMERICAN GIRL.— Then we must part. Seven hundred and fifty thousand is my outside figure.

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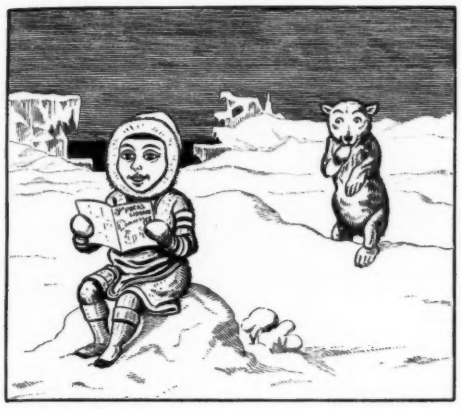
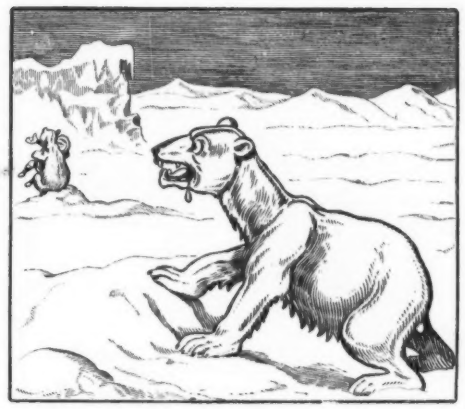
A TIGHT SQUEEZE.

A TALE OF THE FROZEN NORTH.



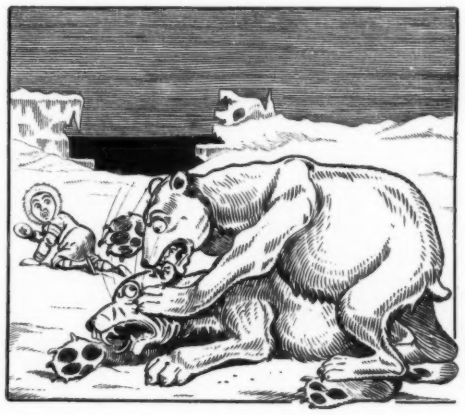
PAPA BEAR.— Ah, there 's a nice meal for myself and family!

"Ah, there, my size! You are just what I 've been looking for!"



MAMA BEAR.—There! Just as I thought! Something told me to keep an eye on him to-night.

"Here, you perfidious wretch!



"I told you never to arouse my jealousy. Take that and that and that!

"Now, come home where you belong, and I hope you 've learned a lesson!"

SHE FOUND IT.

"Know Colonel Trotter! Well, I should hope so! He used to be an old flame of mine," said Mrs. Norris.

"Humph! why did n't you marry him then?" snorted her husband.

Mrs. Norris smiled one of her sweet, womanly smiles.

"Because I was looking for something easier," she observed, simply.

A LEGAL EXPERIMENT.

"What do they mean by a test case?"

"A test case is one which is brought to see how much the lawyers can make out of it."

PEESNESS.

FAILSKY.— I 'm going oudt of dot cloding peesness, to sthardt a peach orchard.

SCHLUFFSKY.—Vy fore, Isaac?

FAILSKY. — Vy, pecause der peach crob vos always a failure!

A GENUINE FREAK.

"I 've got a strictly unique freak," said one dime museum manager to another.

"What is it?"

"It is a father who actually kicked a young man who came courting his daughter."

(Second dime museum manager falls dead with envy.)

DOING HER OWN COOKING.

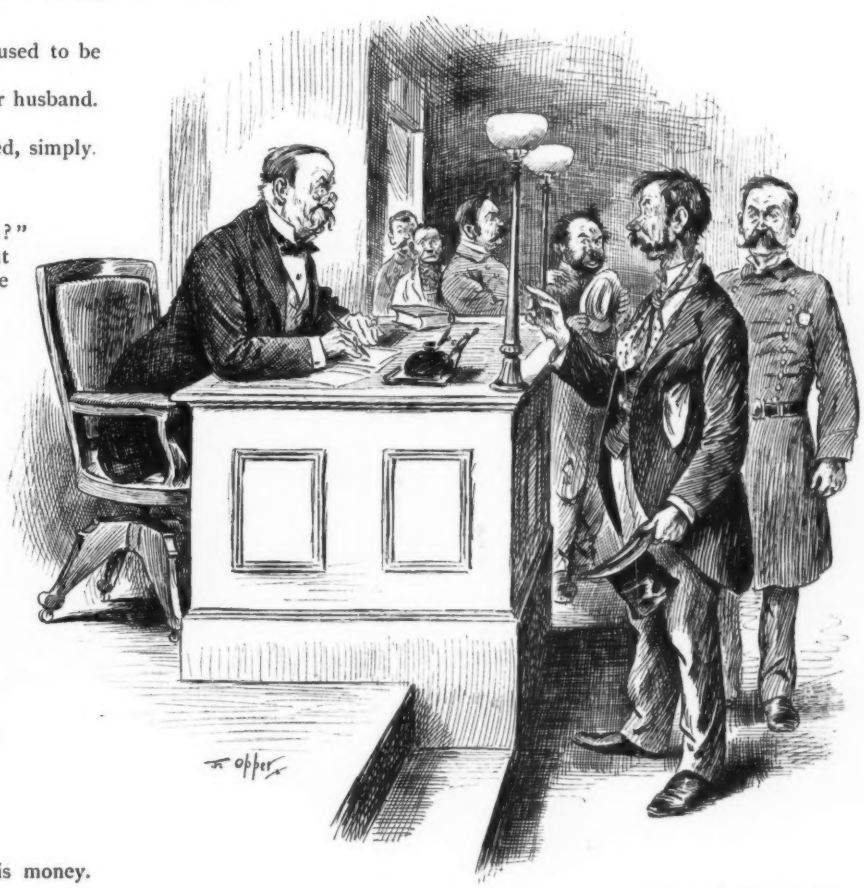
JULIA.— She says she can't afford to keep a cook.

FLORA.—Well, she can't. She married an old man for his money.

IN HIS MIND.

LITTLEJOHN.— I 've a good mind to punch Bigbee's head!

MUTCHMORE.—Well, that is probably the safest way for you to do it.



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SUSPICIOUS HONESTY.

PRISONER.— It 's all a mistake, your Honor! I was quite sober—

JUSTICE.— Quite sober? Why, you gave your right name and address at the station house!

THE SHELTERING ORDER OF WOK WOK.

"So you are a Benedict now; eh, Kortupp?" saluted old Jolliman.

"Yes," replied the young fellow, proudly; "I have been married nearly a week, to the dearest—"

"Aur-r-rm!" indorsed the other; "quite so! And now you are in the line of eligibility for membership in the Sheltering Order of Wok Wok. You have not been approached on the subject?"

"No; and, really, I had not thought of joining any lodge or order. My home-ties"—this with a slight expansion of the chest and a suspicion of a blush—"my home-ties, you know—er—er—well, I do not feel the need of associating myself with—"

"Exactly!" was the genial interruption. "Quite right! And I am not soliciting for the Order, understand, but am simply pointing out the path leading to the open door. Briefly, then, the purpose of the Sheltering Order of Wok Wok is to preserve the peace of the home—to obviate the slight friction that would naturally occur in—"

"But, my dear sir,—"

"Not in your own case, of course. But where it would be otherwise the Order steps in and—"

"But, sir, the interference of any third party—"

"In your own case, certainly; but others are not so happily situated. Now, for example, suppose you were to stroll homeward slightly subsequent to midnight, with truth enthroned on your brow and the explanation on your lips that you had been working on the books or sitting up with a sick friend. Your wife, grown weary with waiting, reproaches you, or—"

"But, my wife would not reproach me!"

"Certainly not! I am only making use of a supposititious case, understand. However, I will use the name of Fiddleback to illustrate. Fiddleback, having been sitting up with a sick friend, so tells his wife, and she does not believe him. He—"

"My wife would believe me, sir!"

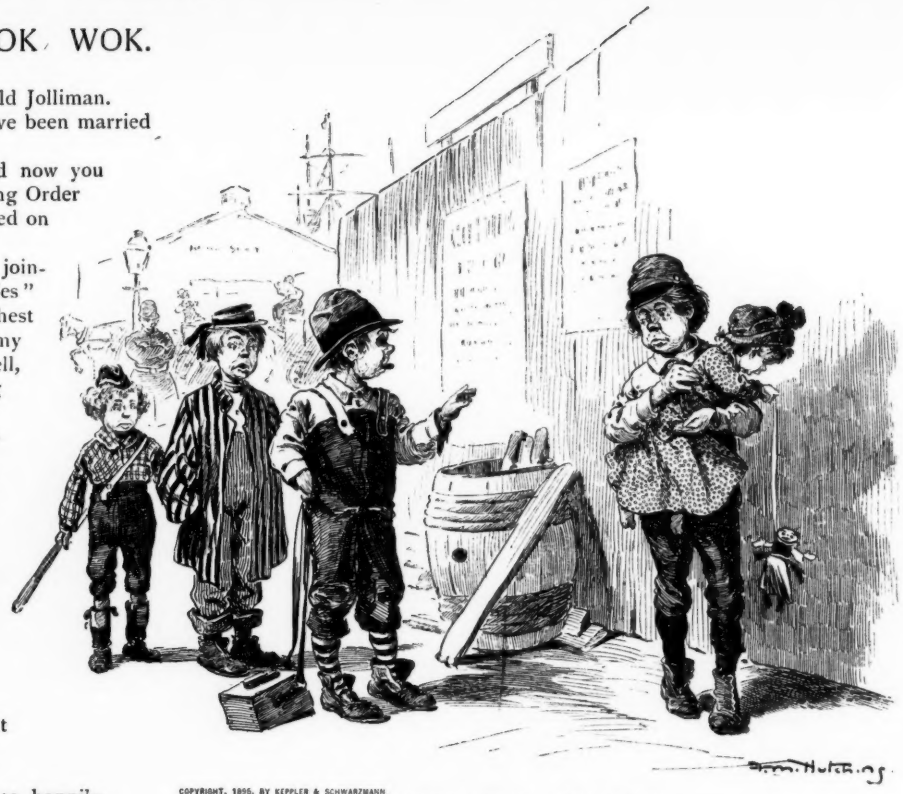
"Yes; but poor Fiddleback, having fallen by the wayside a time or two, is blessed with a helpmeet who, to make use of a colloquialism, is dead onto him. At another time, she discovers a long, blond hair tangled around a button of his coat, or a few discs of various colors in his pocket; or, in his uneasy slumber he makes casual reference to 'Kitty,' or 'stack o' whites.' When called upon to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, his tongue cleaves to the roof of his mouth."

"And, why should he not tell the truth?"

"St. Paul, you remember, said that the truth should not be spoken at all times. What is the result of Fiddleback's silence? White-winged Peace flutters hurriedly away from the vicinity. The barometer drops with a thud. Mrs. Fiddleback flies to the shelter of her Mama's bosom, or Fiddleback is in for a sealskin or set of diamonds.

"This," continued old Jolliman, lowering his voice, "if he does not belong to the Order. Should he be a member, nothing of the kind occurs. The Order supplies him with unimpeachable proof of any assertion he may make, and unshakable backing in any emergency. He informs the doubting wife that he has been working on the books or sitting up with a sick friend, secure in the knowledge that the Order will provide the books or the friend.

"He calmly answers that the long blonde hair is from the mane of Goggins's chestnut mare. It is a very fine hair, but the chestnut is an extremely fine-haired animal. Mrs. Fiddleback may doubt him, but her distrust vanishes when, a little later, Messrs. Bobbitt, Jackwin and Mork make casual reference in her presence to Goggins's recently-purchased chestnut mare.



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YOUTHFUL DELICACY.

THE LEADER OF THE GANG.—Who 's dat yer got wid yer, Mickey?

MICKEY.—Dis is me sister.

THE LEADER OF THE GANG.—Well, take her home if youse wants t' go wid us. We might want to go in swimmin'!

"In like manner, if Mr. Fiddleback doubts that the various colored discs are button-molds that Pullyum's little son insisted that he accept, the next time she encounters Mr. Pullyum the latter will refer to the fondness of his son for button-molds. Fiddleback declares that 'Kitty' is the name of the afore-mentioned chestnut, and Goggins will shortly substantiate the assertion.

"Fiddleback informs his wife that 'stack o' whites' is a phrase used in a certain cheap café to designate buckwheat cakes, and some evening Jurnigan will mention the bill-of-fare at that self-same café. You see how concerted action simplifies matters. In union there is strength. You can imagine how embarrassing it would be to tell the wife of your bosom that you had been detained till four A. M. by reason of a serious accident which had befallen Hostetter, and then have Hostetter turn up next day, scarless and smiling, with the announcement that he had been in Florida for the past fortnight and never felt better in his life.

"The work of the Order is carried on by an executive committee composed of the Snark, or chief schemer; the Mogger, or walking lookout; the Gommick, or property-man, who supplies the tangible proof; the Boojum, or butt, upon whom all blame is heaped; and the Snollygoster, or romancer, who testifies in behalf of the embarrassed member. They receive no compensation but the gratitude of their relieved fellows and the approval of their own consciences. The offices are held in rotation; I am the Snollygoster for this month. But I must trot along, now. See you later, Kortupp!"

"Ye-es," answered the young man, hesitatingly, as there rose in his thoughts a recollection of a tiny tiff that, yesterday, had disturbed for a few moments the halcyon peace of his nest, and there fell upon him the dim shadow of coming events. "See you later, Jolliman!"

Tom P. Morgan.

PETER WAS ROBBED.

ST. PETER.—You had five different failures while on earth, had you not?

WRAITH.—Yes, sir; but I always settled in full with my preferred creditors.

ST. PETER.—Well, I 'll send for St. Paul, and if I can get him to refund to me, may be I 'll let you in.

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NATURAL ADVANTAGES.

THE BEARDED WOMAN.—I may not be handsome, but when it comes to this "New Woman" business I can give the other females points, and then beat them out.

IN PARIS.

SHE.—My dear, I thought you could speak French fluently?

HE.—I can; but these waiters speak some cursed *patois*. You don't suppose I spent my time reading French dialect stories, do you?

A MIDSUMMER DREAM OF THE MILLENNIUM—To Be Able to Sit in a Draft Without Catching Cold.

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A HOT RACE AHEAD.

APPLICANT.—I wish to engage in the pursuit of literature.

EDITOR.—Are you a sprinter?

COMPARATIVELY HARMLESS.

MR. STRAITLACE.—Well, Maude, I 'm sure I don't know what to say about your going to the matinée. I 'm afraid the influence of the theatre is demoralizing. What is the play?

MAUDE.—It 's a Western drama, Pa,—"Dare-Devil Dave, the Terror of the Rockies"—full of fights and gambling and murders.

MR. STRAITLACE *(reassured)*.—Oh! that 's all right, then. I was afraid it might be an English society drama.

NO COMMENCEMENT.

That Experience teaches no man may deny,
  But such is the harshness of fate
That, though we may study her texts till we die,
  We never can graduate!

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NOT A GOOD BARGAIN.

GRABENHEIMER.—If my leetle sohn gives me his benny I vill gif him den cents to spend?

LITTLE IKEY *(eagerly)*.—All right, Fadder! Here is der benny.

GRABENHEIMER.—Goot! Here 's der den cents—go undt puy me two fife cents see-gars.

AUTHORITIES DIFFER.

BROWN.—Where do you think is the finest scenery in this country?

JONES.—Don't know. No two railroad guide-books agree on that point.

AUNTY IS REBUKED.

AUNT GRACE.—You speak very lightly, Penelope. In my younger days an engagement was equivalent to a marriage.

PEN. *(with glee)*.—How shocking! But, surely, some of the more respectable had ceremonies performed?

ALL IS still fair in love; but the foot-ball rules are to be modified.

AS A RULE, when a man has greatness thrust upon him, it does n't take him very long to get rid of it.

"RICHES HAVE wings;" but, unfortunately, they seldom use them except to travel in the wrong direction.

PUCK'S SOLUTION OF A VEXED QUESTION.

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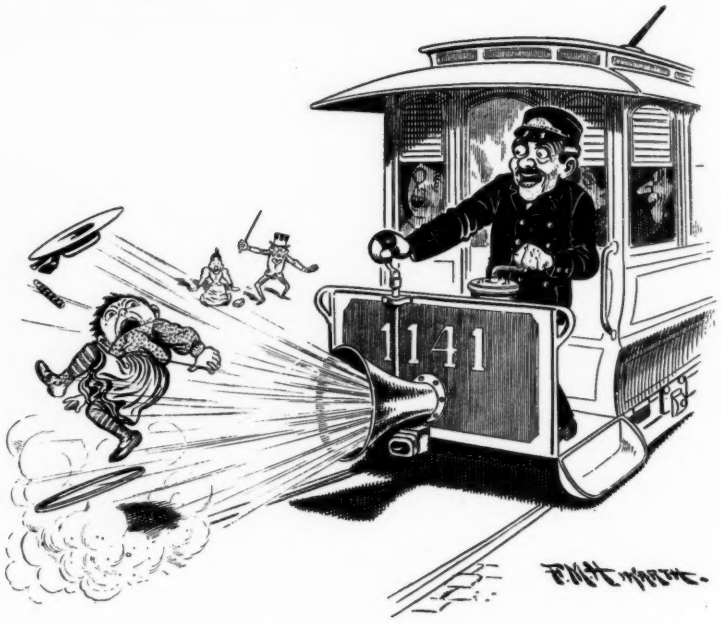
Supply all the Cable and Trolley Cars with our *Patent* Cyclone Fenders, and instead of crushing track-walkers to death —



— blow them out of harm's way.

THE FINGER-BOWL IN BROWNSVILLE.

THE FINGER-BOWL struck Brownsville directly after the Salted Almond, and just before the Embroidered Centre-piece. Indeed, it followed so closely in the Almond's wake that not more than three persons in town had begun to say "ah-mon;" — the rest pronounced it *al*-mond, and were very flat-footed about it.

The Finger-bowl was introduced by Miss Jones at her tea-party. It was a red glass one with dimples, and Miss Jones passed it around, herself, after the guests had finished their tea. There were floating upon the water sundry thin slices of lemon, and, of course, the first two women drank out of it. Please don't fancy that had you never seen or heard of finger-bowls you would have done better. Remember, no printed directions accompanied the bowl. Miss Jones's sister sat third in line. After watching her, the rest did better.

Mrs. Petefish was the next to follow the fashion. She had two opalescent bowls with crinkley edges. She said that they were newer. And she dispensed with lemon. She let a geranium leaf float in each bowl, for, as she said, "Geranium has a nasty taste, and those who drink once won't try it again." They did n't. And thus, at two sittings, Brownsville was educated up to the Finger-bowl. After that it was the rage; for, as Mrs. Petefish remarked, "There 's one thing about we Brownsvillites, we pick a thing up quick."

The male Brownsvillite never took kindly to this innovation. When it was placed before him, he either quite ignored it or else he tried to be funny about it, and said that he would "pass." In his heart he hated it.

Still the popularity of the Finger-bowl increased, and it came on now in half-dozens, with fringed doylies underneath. Even the younger set caught the craze, and some of the pretty girls would sit out dances together to hear about a new pattern of drawn-work for a finger-bowl doyley, while the young men awkwardly waltzed about in pairs.

The men began to sneer more openly after this, and occasionally managed to upset and break a bowl as though by accident; but there was no organized revolt.

It was not until Christmas that it got its death-warrant.

You see, there were a lot of children in the Rev. Mr. Goodman's family, and as times were hard and his salary behind, the poor man was discouraged and disheartened. So, when on Christmas morning a boy handed in a parcel, marked — "For Our Pastor's Wife," it was almost with tears in his eyes that he carried it to his spouse.

"For you, dear," he said with a little quaver in his voice, as he began to unwrap the paper-covering; "I do hope it 's a black silk gown, for you need one so much. I don't mind all this poverty for myself, but for you my brave little woman; it is too —" And then he saw the finger-bowls — six of them — red, blue, green, yellow, opal and purple.

* * *

Bobby Petefish looked at the world through a rosy mist, and Bill Simpkins surveyed his mother through a golden glass.

"What! where did you boys get that colored glass?" she queried sharply.

"In the alley behind the preacher's house," snickered Bill, producing a pocketful of glittering bits — red, blue, green, yellow, opal and purple.

The reign of the Finger-bowl declined rapidly after that, and now it is as a tale that is told. And to this day, when the Rev. Mr. Goodman walks abroad, the men of Brownsville say, "Ah! there goes a *man!*"

M. M. Marsh.

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SPOKE FOR ITSELF.

SMITH. — Now, the reason I want to sell this horse —

ROBINSON. — Never mind that! The man who wants to buy it is the one who ought to apologize.

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CARTOONS AND COMMENTS.

THE PASSING OF THE CALAMITY HOWLER.

A CERTAIN BRAND of editorial has, in the last three months, entirely disappeared from the pages of Republican newspapers. It is the brand that foretold how all the manufacturing industries of the country were going to fail because the McKinley tariff law had been meddled with by the wicked Democrats. In support of this dismal prophecy it told of manufacturers that had failed and of wages that had been reduced. These failures and reductions, it insisted, were awful proof of the misery and famine that must inevitably follow any reduction in the tariff duties. It said that the people undoubtedly saw their folly at last, and it sagely guessed that they would hurry up and restore McKinleyism, and that, another time, they would probably not let themselves be led away from the true faith by false prophets. You can't find one of those editorials now. But in the news columns of the papers that used to print them every day or so, you can find little items like this:

FALL RIVER, MASS., APRIL 21.—The mills will resume operation to-morrow morning under the scale of wages in effect previous to Aug. 20, 1894. Twenty-four thousand workers will be benefited. There is every prospect of a fair trade during the coming Summer, as the mills are well sold ahead.

In the five cities of Fall River, Pittsburg, New Bedford, Norristown and McKeesport, Pa., the wages of sixty thousand men have been voluntarily increased ten per cent. since the middle of April. Nor does this complete the record. From every manufacturing city of importance in the country comes news of increased wages and increased forces. Factories are running overtime to meet the orders that are pouring in upon them. All this simply means that the industrial world has taken prompt advantage of the slight relief afforded it by the new tariff law, and has settled down to hard work under the assurance of the Administration that the financial integrity of the Nation is to be preserved. Of course, with prosperity brazenly staring the country in the face, it will be harder than ever for William McKinley and Benjamin Harrison and Thomas B. Reed to convince the people that they are on the verge of ruin; but, all things considered, we believe their embarrassment should be viewed with something closely like equanimity. Plenty of work at increased wages is the best answer to McKinleyism that we have seen yet, we think. It beats theorizing.

THE PARTIES AND SILVER.

THE VERY evident distrust with which Democrats and Republicans regard each other now, whenever silver is mentioned, would seem to indicate a hope in both parties that the silver vote may be caught next election by some half-hearted, meaningless declaration in favor of the lesser metal. We note in both Democratic and Republican papers a tendency to deprecate all harsh and intemperate speech about silver and silverites, and a marked disposition to assert that, after all, silver is clearly entitled to consideration of some sort. Such paltering can result in no benefit to either party. On the contrary, it will work incalculable harm. It was this spirit of conciliation and concession that saddled the country in 1890 with a law that drained the Treasury of its gold, and helped largely to bring about the panic of 1893. Whatever course the Republican party may elect to steer in the next campaign, the Democratic party must keep itself free from the suspicion of any sort of an alliance with the silverites. Both parties have suffered in the past from their attempts to becloud the silver issue and to win the silver vote under false pretenses. The victory of the Democratic party in 1892 was very largely due to the flat-footed condemnation of the Sherman law contained in its platform, and it should go into the contest in 1896, with as clear views as clearly stated.

Secretary Carlisle, in his speech at Covington, left no doubt as to the stand which the present administration will take on silver. "While I do not desire to see silver excluded from the monetary system," he said, "I know it can not be kept in circulation along with gold by the law of any one country." It is vital to the welfare of the Democratic party that this precise view should be insisted upon at this time by the rank and file of the party, as well as by its leaders. Nothing short of absolute repudiation of the free silver doctrine will satisfy the large number of voters who will still be in their right minds in November of 1896.

In the course of his Covington speech, Secretary Carlisle gave some interesting facts and figures concerning the administrations of Grover Cleveland and Benjamin Harrison. When Mr. Cleveland's administration went out of office in March, 1889, there was left in the Treasury a balance of $330,348,916, and during the four years preceding $341,448,449 was paid on the public debt. When Mr. Harrison's administration went out of office four years later, the cash balance in the Treasury had dwindled down to $162,450,577, while the payments on the public debt had been $105,000,000 less than during his predecessor's administration. A Republican Congress, during Mr. Harrison's term, passed the Sherman law, the McKinley tariff law, which both increased taxation and diminished the revenues of the Government, and, in general, "inaugurated the most wasteful and extravagant system of public expenditures that ever existed in this country in time of peace." Of course this story of ruinous Republican legislation is an old story, but it is a good story to read over and to think over for the next year and a half.

AN INTERNATIONAL EPISODE.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

"A salute of three guns," said the Secretary of Foreign Affairs, as he rapidly turned the pages of the code. "Ah! that means 'we have called about that little bill.'"

Turning to the messenger in waiting, he said: "Let the fort answer at once with a salute of seven guns."

"And what does that mean?" inquired the President of the Republic.

"That means, 'Drop in some day next week. We are a little short just now.'"

ONE WAY OUT.

FOREMAN *(Hayville Screamer).*—In this editorial on "Hard Times and Democracy," you say: "Thanks are also due to Cleveland's pernicious free-trade policy for hardships here at home. Remember how last Fall the two factories in our midst suspended operations and reduced wages!"

EDITOR.—Yes; that 's right.

FOREMAN.—Well, both those factories have got orders ahead for six months, and wages have been raised ten per cent.

EDITOR.—Here, give me that proof! I 'll make a note of it and add: "Under the promise of the return of the Grand Old Party to power, the influence of the Democracy for harm is gone, and the country is recovering."

NOT LOQUACIOUS.

Though money talks, as people say,
I can not quite with them agree,
For it has always had a way
Of being very short with me.

Roe L. Hendrick.

NOT AS YET.

CADDINGTON.—That 's a fine job of yours up on the court-house.

MCMANUS *(the contractor, proudly).*—It is thot!

CADDINGTON.—Is the plumbing exposed?

MCMANUS *(in hoarse whisper).*—S-s-s-sh! Not yet; an' Oi 've hopes th' investigatin' committee can be stheered aff it!

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THE DEAD IS

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THE ENVIABLE MAN.

ENVY NOT the man whose brow
Is crowned with laurel wreath of fame,
Nor him whose riches might endow
A hundred temples in his name.

I envy not the bard who chants
Loudly triumphant songs and lays,
Nor yet the painter man who flaunts
His canvas to a [illegible] gaze.

Ah, no! For he who now commands
My envy hath a higher price—
Upon the ice-cart step he stands
All day, 'mid chilling chunks of ice.

Madeline S. Bridges.

INFORMATION FOR TWO.

MAMA *(to inquiring daughter)*.—Griselda, my dear, was the type of conjugal patience.

PAPA.—You don't mean it? I always had an idea that Griselda was a woman.

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NOW OUR TROUBLE BEGINS.

SHE *(pointing to right fielder)*.—And who is *he?*

HER ESCORT.—Why, he plays right!

SHE *(impatiently)*.—Oh, I don't care whether he plays right or wrong! What 's his *name?*

A THOROUGH COURSE.

"How do you get on with your training school for pugilists?"

"Very nicely."

"I suppose your course is very thorough?"

"Yes; five languages."

NEW SCHOOL.

WOOL.—Who entertained at Mrs. Hunter's reception?

VAN PELT.—A cute little New Woman read something about, "Lovers Once, but Married Now."

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FOREWARNED IS FOREARMED.

WILLY WIGGINS.—Will you please tell me where the text was dis morning?

THE PASTOR.—Why, certainly, my little man! The second chapter of John, the fourth verse. I am pleased to know that one so young is so anxious to remember my text.

WILLY WIGGINS.—Yes; I played hookey from church dis morning, and Dad allers asks me der text, to see whedder I was dere or not.

IN BOSTON Cupid discards his bow and arrows for a bean shooter.

THE MAN who never argues with "children, women or fools," is not likely to have many arguments.

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ANOTHER UNFAITHFUL ONE.

MISS LIPSNER *(angrily lifting her head from his manly bosom)*.—Claude Watson, yo' am untrue to me! You 's been roun' dat Lize Berry!

MR. WATSON *(in confusion)*.—Why, er—what—er—'deed, I hain't seen her fo' weeks!

MISS LIPSNER *(between her teeth)*.—Don't yo' prewaricate to me, yo' brack reptile. Don't prewaricate to me. Ise smell musk hair oil on de lappel ob yo' coat, an' Lize Berry am de only girl in dis willage what uses it.

THUS IT IS.

IT IS sometimes thought because the genius of Shakspere was beyond approach, and because his mind had no fellow in his own age, nor even in the glorified chronicles of past time, that he must have had an awful loneliness upon him, and that this world must have seemed to him like a tenantless place.

But, truly, this is not true; for Shakspere was a man for any man; any spirit found in his spirit its echo and clear resonance; and the humors of a hostler, the dry-salted jest of a fisherman, the philosophy of a cheese-eating Welshman, the rant of a mouldy rascal from the wars, were all as good to him as drink.

It is the same, for instance, with myself. I do not sit apart in the court of my own greatness. I mingle with men. They interrupt my speech as if it were of mortal pitch; they present their bills to me; they elbow me on the street; if I have no money to ride, they put me off the train. No man, indeed, is dumb or without function in my presence.

The life of every great man shows not only the humanity but the love and companionability of greatness; and if there were bold and merry blades in Shakspere's time, then, though they knew not a scrap of verse except a catch to troll, they were his boon-companions, and 't was merry in hall when beards wagged all.

Thus it is: little rivers run not to the sea more gladly than the sea receives them, and often will the great sea, when it rises with the sparkling tide, rush up the rivers' channels to meet them; and I doubt not that often of an evening Shakspere threw aside his pen, with his kings and queens and alarums without, and made a sneak to the inn to sit with good fellows.

Great Poets there are who can write
 To make the world marvel and wonder;
Great Captains there are who can fight
 To win a world — like Alexander;
Great Builders there are whose designs
 Outlast the hard rock they are wrought in;
Great Painters whose colors and lines
 Outrival the world they are sought in;
Great Statesmen there are who can place
 Great nations on surest of bases;
Great Princes of Commerce whose race
 The envy of princes embraces;
But greatness, whatever it be,
 Though maker of *Lears* and *Othellos*,
Though famous by land and by sea,
 Sets its deepest heart's love on good fellows.
For greatness, the labor of earth,
 The pleasure 's to sit and grow mellow
In friendliness, gravity, mirth,
 Of a night, with a royal, good fellow.

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JASPAR. — Cæsar and his wife are constantly quarreling.

JUMPUPPE. — Yes; they have different theories as to what each should do to make the other happy.

MRS. HIGHFLY. — Did you have a good time at Mrs. Uppertehn's salon?

MRS. WAYUP. — No, indeed! It was awfully stupid. No one there but intellectual people, you know.

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HICKS. — Look like a stuffed quail on toast.

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OFT THOSE who read their title clear
 To mansions in the sky,
Will wake up rudely yet, I fear,
 To find in Spain they lie.

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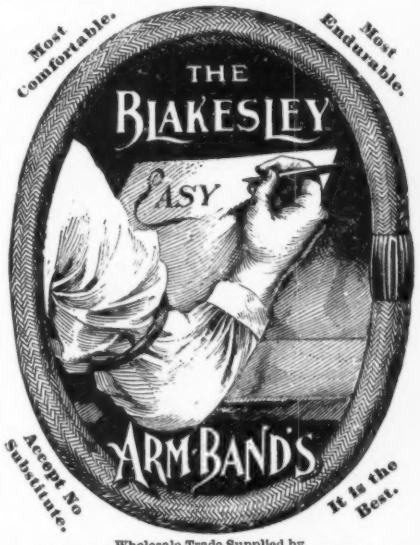

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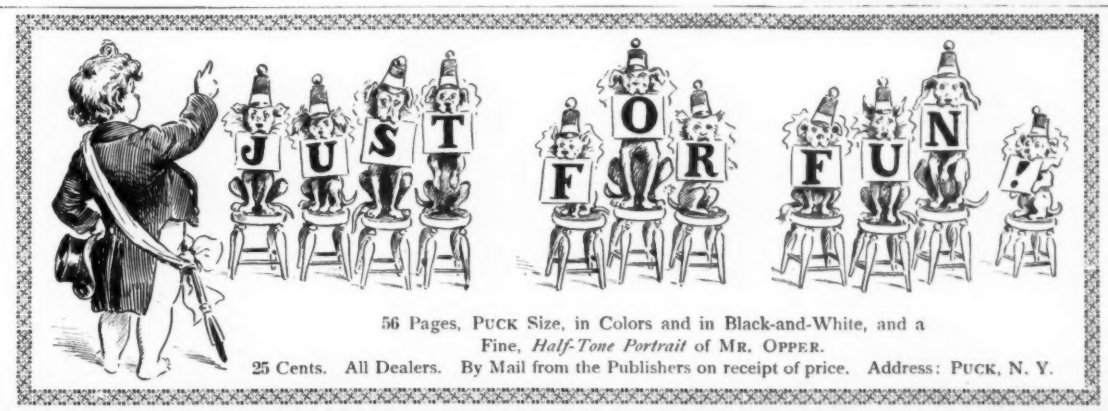

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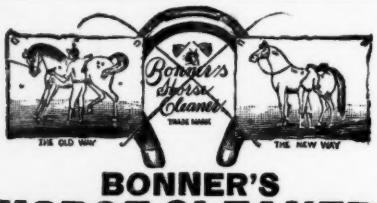

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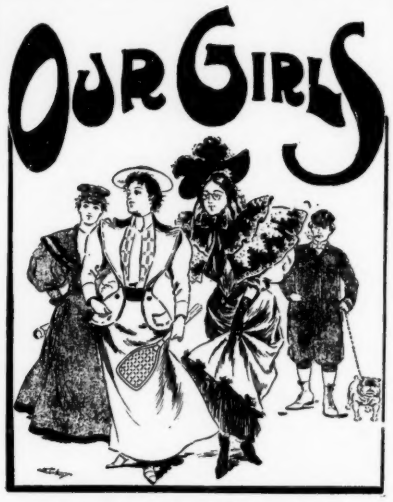

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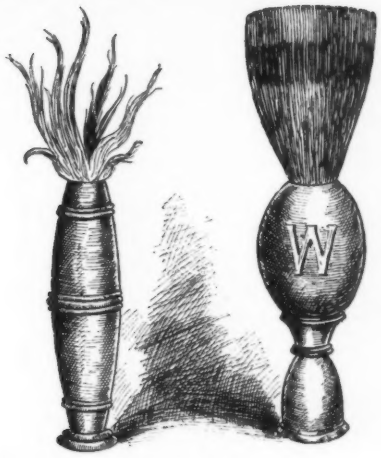

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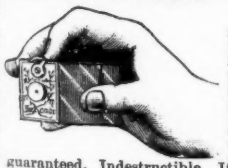

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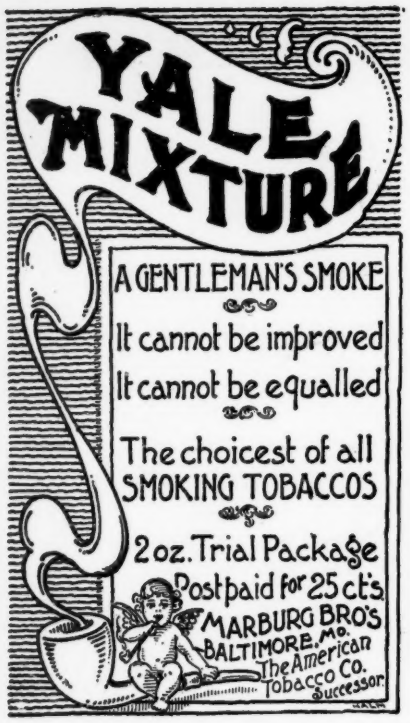

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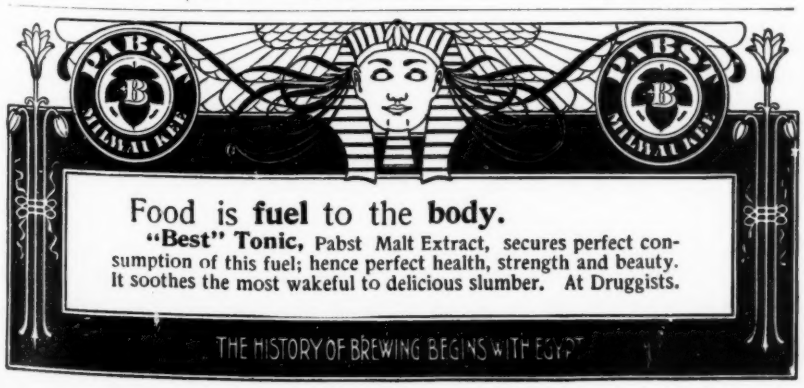

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MRS. WATSON.—You see I could n't do anything on the skirt until you came home, for I had to have someone to drape it on. Tired? Oh, well, you should n't mind that; I 'll be through in an hour or so. Economy, you know!

MRS. WATSON.—Why, Henry, what is the matter? Where are you going! I believe the man has got a fit!

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MR. WATSON *(arriving in his study).*—I gave her one hundred and fifty last year. I guess a check for two hundred will satisfy her now.

MRS. WATSON.—Yes, dear. Two hundred will be enough, I 'm sure. No, darling, if you wish it, I 'll not say dresses or dressmaking until the gowns come home fitted and finished.

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